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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Richard Ian Christopherson et al.  
Application No. : 09/869,229  
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For : AN ASSAY TO DETECT A BINDING PARTNER

Examiner : Cheyne D. Ly  
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Docket No. : 650061.401USPC  
Date : June 3, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents  
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2003, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on June 3, 2003. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.